

CALENDAR ITEM

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DREDGING LEASE

APPLICANT:

Sausalito Yacht Harbor
501 Humboldt Avenue (Lower)
Sausalito, CA 94965

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

Sovereign land legislatively granted to the city of Sausalito with minerals reserved to the State, located within Richardson Bay, city of Sausalito, Marin County.

AUTHORIZED USE:

Maintenance dredge a maximum of 46,650 cubic yards of material over the term of the lease from Sausalito Yacht Harbor and entrance channel to maintain a navigable depth. Dredged material suitable for aquatic disposal will be disposed of at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' designated disposal site SF-11 (Alcatraz), and/or other U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' approved sites; dredged material not suitable for aquatic disposal will be disposed of at Winter Island, Montezuma Wetlands, Port of Oakland, and/or other U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' approved sites

LEASE TERM:

10 years, beginning June 23, 2011.

CONSIDERATION:

No monetary consideration for the lease since there is no commercial benefit from the project and the dredged material may not be sold.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

- 1, The purpose of the project is to maintain safe, navigable berth and access channel depths for vessels using the Sausalito Yacht Harbor.
2. The Project is part of a larger dredging project (150,000 cubic yards) within the Sausalito Yacht Harbor and entrance channel. Commission

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authorization is not required for the dredging of the other 103,350 cubic yards because it will occur on sold Board of Tideland Commissioners lots, which are tide and submerged lands outside of the State's ownership.

3. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15061), staff has determined this activity is exempt from the requirements of CEQA as a categorically exempt project. The project is exempt under Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land; Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15304(g).

Authority: Public Resources Code section 21084 and Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15300.

4. This activity involves lands identified as possessing significant environmental values pursuant to Public Resources Code section 6370, et seq., but such activity will not affect those significant lands. Based upon the staff's consultation with the persons nominating such lands and through the CEQA review process, it is staff's opinion that the project, as proposed, is consistent with its use classification.

APPROVALS OBTAINED:

San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board

FURTHER APPROVALS REQUIRED:

San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission
City of Sausalito
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

EXHIBIT:

- A. Location and Site Map

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the Commission:

CEQA FINDING:

Find that the activity is exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15061 as a categorically exempt project, Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land; Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15304(g).

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SIGNIFICANT LANDS INVENTORY FINDING:

Find that this activity is consistent with the use classification designated by the Commission for the land pursuant to Public Resources Code section 6370, et seq.

AUTHORIZATION:

Authorize the issuance of a 10-year dredging lease to Sausalito Yacht Harbor, beginning June 23, 2011, to dredge a maximum of 46,650 cubic yards of material during the lease term within Sausalito Yacht Harbor and entrance channel as shown on Exhibit A attached and by this reference made a part hereof. Dredged material suitable for aquatic disposal will be disposed of at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' designated disposal site SF-11 (Alcatraz), and/or other U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' approved sites; dredged material not suitable for aquatic disposal will be disposed of at Winter Island, Montezuma Wetlands, Port of Oakland, and/or other U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' approved sites. Such permitted activity is contingent upon applicant's compliance with applicable permits, recommendations, or limitations issued by federal, State, and local governments. No monetary consideration for the lease since there is no commercial benefit from the project and the dredged material may not be sold.